

Elgin 2010 Committee - Minutes
Elgin School District Office - Jan 8, 1996 - 7:00 PM

Attendance: Joe Garlitz, Mary Rose Michols, Maureen Smolkowski, Ray & Vaneta McVey, Pat & Beth McMullen, Jessie McDonald

Agenda: Minutes, NEOEDD, Joe's stuff, Floating Funds, Stampeders, Treasurer's Report, New Facilitator.

Vaneta moved to accept the minutes, carried / NEO Alliance will be at St. Mary's Church Wed, 1/10 at 9:00 AM. Of gross \$600,000 they have approximately \$520,000 after administrative costs of about \$80,000 to help communities in Umatilla, Wallowa, and Union counties with their needs. All who can are urged to attend. Joe suggested these funds should be apportioned by population to cities under 5000 population like gas taxes are, and let them decide what they use them on instead of submitting a list of needs and letting the Alliance decide who gets money. Elgin spends \$350,000 per year on lottery, we should get a portion back. We identified our 13 priority projects by importance (see attached pages). Maureen will present these Wed and Joe will present his views, with our approval, as to how financing should be handled.

No contact has been made with Darlene Barker regarding Stampeders sponsoring the Fjord horse show has been made / Also the 2 defunct funds that LaVeta mentioned at a prior meeting have not been fully explored yet / Ron sent a treasurer's report / Mary Rose would like to resign as facilitator, but we all felt she does a very good job of conducting the meetings. We'll all try a little harder to help, Vanetta said she would help make up the agenda.

The Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be held Tuesday, Feb 20 (earlier this year).

Joe reported several of our committee met with Lisa Lang and Donna Betts who was to be hired to help write grants for NEOEDD, Union, and Elgin. Since then Jill Dragoo has taken a different position, Lisa Lang and Donna Betts are filling so we still have no one to help us with grants.

Steve Trindel of FHA says loans are available with 1% interest for Senior and Low Income housing. He owns some of the houses in the north end of town that were originally FHA homes.

A book on Incubator Projects is available for \$30.00.

Discussed getting hot on Hunaha Park again. Heppner has such a park with 24 spaces, a 1 1/2 million dollar project that cost them \$160,000 cash because of lots of volunteerism.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Jessie M. McDonald

NORTHEAST OREGON ALLIANCE BOARD
RURAL ACTION PLAN SURVEY

Identified By Elgin 2010 Committee 1/8/96

TOP COMMUNITY/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

1. Rysdam building for business/office cluster
2. Cottage industries
3. Industrial park
4. Tourism/Hunaha RV Park and viewing station-Witty Park and
header board
5. Recreation
6. On route to Wellows Lake

TOP NEEDS/LIABILITIES WE NEED TO ADDRESS

1. Money (lack of)/Revolving loan fund
2. Housing
3. Land for Industrial Park
4. Domestic rubbish
5. Insensitive bank for business loans

ELGIN'S PROJECT PRIORITY FOR RURAL INVESTMENT FUND

1. Grant writing assistance/business development technical assistance (needed equally)
2. Business loans/grants
3. Housing development/rehabilitation finance
4. Community capital improvement (streets, sidewalks, sewage)
5. Tourism/community marketing plans
6. Downtown revitalization
7. Natural resource planning/technical assistance
8. Job training/retraining
9. School to work training/Student internships
10. Land use planning assistance
11. Sewer/water project funding (done)
12. Community planning assistance (done)
13. (combined the first two as # 1)